# United States Bankruptcy Court Central District of California Santa Ana Judge Erithe Smith, Presiding

Courtroom 5A Calendar

Wednesday, January 19, 2022

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#### **Courtroom Deputy:**

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#1.00 Hearing RE: Reaffirmation Agreement Between Debtor and Toyota Motor Credit

Corporation (RE: 2021 Lexus NX 300 - Amount: \$35,323.99)

[SC CASE]

Docket 23

**Courtroom Deputy:** 

- NONE LISTED -

**Tentative Ruling:** 

- NONE LISTED -

**Party Information** 

**Debtor(s):** 

Djulianto Irwantio Represented By

Leonardo Drubach

**Joint Debtor(s):** 

Davis Gunawan Represented By

Leonardo Drubach

**Trustee(s):** 

Karen S Naylor (TR) Pro Se

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8:21-12145 Robert Hernandez

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#2.00 Hearing RE: Pro se Reaffirmation Agreement Between Debtor and Ally Bank

(RE: 2018 Nissan Titan Crew Cab SV 2WD - Amount: \$36,061.69)

Docket 10

**Courtroom Deputy:** 

- NONE LISTED -

**Tentative Ruling:** 

- NONE LISTED -

**Party Information** 

**Debtor(s):** 

Robert Hernandez Represented By

Marlin Branstetter

**Trustee(s):** 

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8:21-12242 Samuel Scott Rose

Chapter 7

#3.00 Hearing RE: Reaffirmation Agreement Between Debtor and FLAGSHIP CREDIT ACCEPTANCE (RE: 15 BMW 4 Series - Amount: \$15,698.17)

Docket 8

**Courtroom Deputy:** 

- NONE LISTED -

**Tentative Ruling:** 

- NONE LISTED -

**Party Information** 

**Debtor(s):** 

Samuel Scott Rose Represented By

Daniel King

**Trustee(s):** 

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**8:21-12256** Rosa Eva Sanchez

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#4.00 Hearing RE: Reaffirmation Agreement Between Debtor and Nissan Motor Acceptance Corporation (RE: 2017 Nissan Maxima - \$9,758.79)

Docket 10

**Courtroom Deputy:** 

- NONE LISTED -

**Tentative Ruling:** 

- NONE LISTED -

**Party Information** 

**Debtor(s):** 

Rosa Eva Sanchez Represented By

Brian J Soo-Hoo

**Trustee(s):** 

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8:21-12450 Bladimiro Garcia Rodriguez

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#5.00 Hearing RE: Pro se Reaffirmation Agreement Between Debtor and Ford Motor Credit Company LLC (2020 Ford Fusion - \$226,868.46) [TA CASE]

Docket 8

**Courtroom Deputy:** 

- NONE LISTED -

**Tentative Ruling:** 

- NONE LISTED -

**Party Information** 

**Debtor(s):** 

Bladimiro Garcia Rodriguez Represented By

Lauren M Foley

**Trustee(s):** 

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8:21-12527 Louis Kevin Armenta

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Hearing RE: Pro Se Reaffirmation Agreement Between Debtor And Financial Partners Credit Union [RE: 2016 BMW 3 Series - \$16,877.66] **[TA CASE]** 

Docket 9

**Courtroom Deputy:** 

- NONE LISTED -

**Tentative Ruling:** 

- NONE LISTED -

**Party Information** 

**Debtor(s):** 

Louis Kevin Armenta Represented By

Arlene M Tokarz

**Trustee(s):** 

Weneta M.A. Kosmala (TR) Pro Se

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8:21-12552 Richard Ramirez and Martha Zuniga

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#7.00 Hearing RE: Pro se Reaffirmation Agreement Between Debtor and SchoolsFirst Federal Credit Union (RE: 2018 Toyota Tacoma Double Cab - Amount:

\$23,900.41)

Docket 28

**Courtroom Deputy:** 

- NONE LISTED -

**Tentative Ruling:** 

- NONE LISTED -

**Party Information** 

**Debtor(s):** 

Richard Ramirez Represented By

Don Dao

**Joint Debtor(s):** 

Martha Zuniga Represented By

Don Dao

**Trustee(s):** 

Thomas H Casey (TR) Pro Se

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8:21-12552 Richard Ramirez and Martha Zuniga

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Hearing RE: Pro se Reaffirmation Agreement Between Debtor and SchoolsFirst Federal Credit Union (RE: 2018 Dodger Challenger - Amount: \$25,832.92)

Docket 29

#### **Courtroom Deputy:**

- NONE LISTED -

#### **Tentative Ruling:**

- NONE LISTED -

#### **Party Information**

**Debtor(s):** 

Richard Ramirez Represented By

Don Dao

**Joint Debtor(s):** 

Martha Zuniga Represented By

Don Dao

Trustee(s):

Thomas H Casey (TR) Pro Se

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**8:21-12692** Paola Valadez

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#9.00 Hearing RE: Pro se Reaffirmation Agreement Between Debtor and Toyota Motor

Credit Corporation (RE: 2019 Toyota C-HR - \$26,908.18)

Docket 10

**Courtroom Deputy:** 

- NONE LISTED -

**Tentative Ruling:** 

- NONE LISTED -

**Party Information** 

**Debtor(s):** 

Paola Valadez Represented By

Barry E Borowitz Michael E Clark

**Trustee(s):** 

Karen S Naylor (TR) Pro Se

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8:21-12757 Mohammad Khalid

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#10.00 Hearing RE: Pro se Reaffirmation Agreement Between Debtor and Toyota Motor

Credit Corporation [2017 Toyota Prius - \$7,206.28] - [TA-CASE]

Docket 20

**Courtroom Deputy:** 

- NONE LISTED -

**Tentative Ruling:** 

- NONE LISTED -

**Party Information** 

**Debtor(s):** 

Mohammad Khalid Represented By

Don Dao

**Trustee(s):** 

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8:21-12760 Rebecca Ann Calvitti-Brandon

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#11.00 Hearing RE: Pro se Reaffirmation Agreement Between Debtor and Nissan Motor Acceptance Corporation (RE: 2018 Nissan Sentra - \$12,038.09) [TA CASE]

Docket 14

**Courtroom Deputy:** 

- NONE LISTED -

**Tentative Ruling:** 

- NONE LISTED -

**Party Information** 

**Debtor(s):** 

Rebecca Ann Calvitti-Brandon Represented By

Bert Briones

**Trustee(s):** 

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8:21-10635 Alicia Marie Richards

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#12.00 Hearing RE: Motion for Order Establishing Procedures for United States Marshal Service to Enforce Amended Turnover Order (OST Entered 1/5/2022)

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#### **Tentative Ruling:**

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To the extent Trustee is requesting the issuance of an amended enforcement writ signed by the Clerk of the Court, such request is granted. To the extent Trustee is seeking an order of the Court regarding the issuance of an amended writ, such request is denied due to lack of jurisdiction and the court will grant the alternative request for the issuance of an Indicative Ruling pursuant to Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure 8008(a)(3).

#### **Basis for Tentative Ruling:**

#### I. <u>Lack of Jurisdiction to Amend, Alter, or Expand the Amended Turnover</u> Order

Substantively, by the Motion Trustee is requesting that the Court modify its November 30, 2021 Amended Turnover Order ("Amended Order") to add additional language requested by the US Marshal. As the Amended Order is presently on appeal before the Bankruptcy Appellate Panel ("BAP"), the Court is divested of jurisdiction to modify or amend the Amended Order. In *In re Padilla*, 222 F.3d 1184, 1190 (9th Cir. 2000), the Ninth Circuit held:

"The timely filing of a notice of appeal to either a district court or bankruptcy appellate panel will typically divest a bankruptcy court of jurisdiction "over those aspects of the case involved in the appeal." See *Padilla*, 222 F.3d at 1190; 10 COLLIER ON BANKRUPTCY P 8001.04 (15th

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ed. 2006). The bankruptcy court *retains jurisdiction over all other matters that it must undertake "to implement or enforce the judgment or order*," although it "may not alter or expand upon the judgment.". (emphasis added)

See also, *Hagel v. Drummond (In re Hagel)*, 184 B.R. 793, 798 (B.A.P. 9th Cir. 1995) .

The Court concludes that the relief requested by the US Marshal for an *order* signed by the Court is essentially a request to modify, amend, or expand on the Amended Order, which the court lacks jurisdiction to do in light of the pending appeal of the same.

II. Issuance of Indicative Ruling Pursuant to Fed.R.Bankr.P. 8008(a)(3)

Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure 8008)(a)(3) provides that

"If a party files a timely motion in the bankruptcy court for relief that the court lacks authority to grant because of an appeal that has been docketed and is pending, the bankruptcy court may: (1) defer considering the motion; (2) deny the motion; or (3) state that the court would grant the motion if the court where the appeal is pending remands for that purpose, or state that the motion raises a substantial issue."

The proper procedure is for the movant to seek an indicative ruling from the bankruptcy court first. See, e.g., Paravue Corp. v. In re Heller Ehrman LLP, 2015 WL 993406 (N.D. Cal. March 4, 2015); In re Gutierrez, 2019 WL 406632 (BAP. 2019).

The Court believes the issuance of an Indicative Ruling under FRBP 8008(a) (3) is appropriate for the following reasons:

- 1. As noted above, the relief requested regarding the issuance of a new order providing for the issuance of an amended writ necessarily requires a modification or expansion of the Amended Order.
- 2. Absent the pending appeal, the Court would grant the Motion and further amend the Amended Order to provide the language required by the US

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Marshal (which language the Court views as non-substantive and technical in nature).

- 3. Debtor was unequivocally ordered to turnover possession of the subject property by December 4, 2021 and she has failed to do so.
- 4. The request for a stay of the Amended Order was denied both by this Court and by the BAP.
- 5. The Court's ruling directing the turnover of the subject property by December 4, 2021 (as set forth in the Amended Order) is not contingent on the close of escrow and this Court is not bound by any prepetition state court order to the contrary.
- 6. The Motion raises substantial issues as to 1) the ability of Trustee to enforce the Amended Order due to certain technical requirements of the US Marshal for enforcement of the unstayed Amended Order; 2) the liability of Trustee vis a vis the court-approved sale of the subject property.

#### III. The Issuance of an Amended Writ

To the extent that US Marshal is willing to enforce an amended writ of enforcement without an order of the Court, Trustee is free to pursue that as enforcement of an unstayed order on appeal is permissible. However, as the Court understands the Motion, the US Marshal is not willing to rely on amended writ without a further order of the Court.

#### **Party Information**

**Debtor(s):** 

Alicia Marie Richards Pro Se

**Trustee(s):** 

Richard A Marshack (TR) Represented By

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